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Dear Parents and Carers

We wish to pass on some very important information that has been shared by the Food Standards Agency (FSA).

The FSA has released urgent advice to the public regarding possible peanut contamination in all products that contain or may contain mustard ingredients.

They are warning people with a peanut allergy to avoid consuming foods that contain, or might contain, mustard, mustard powder or mustard flour, because these ingredients may have been contaminated with peanuts. These ingredients can be found in food such as dips, sauces, pre-made salads, pasta, curries, cake products, custards and sandwiches.

The FSA is working hard to identify the products which may have been contaminated with these mustard ingredients because of the severity of some allergic reactions to peanuts. Therefore, as a precautionary measure, we want to ensure that all our parents, carers, and staff are aware of this situation so people with a peanut allergy have up to date information about the potential risk and can take action to keep themselves and their children safe.

At this stage none of our catering provider's suppliers have recalled any products, however, this is a fast-moving situation and may change as the FSA releases further information.

Whilst the FSA resolves this situation, we strongly encourage all students and staff with a peanut allergy to avoid products containing mustard of any kind. If in any doubt, please speak to the Catering Manager or a member of the Catering Team as they have allergen information on all the products they supply and will be able to answer any questions.

For further information, please visit the FSA website: https://www.food.gov.uk/news-alerts/alert/fsa-aa-42-2024-update-3

If you would like to be made aware of future allergen alerts from the FSA, you can subscribe here.

Safety is extremely important to everyone at AHS and our catering provider, Cucina, who is sorry for any concern and inconvenience that this issue may cause you.

Yours sincerely

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